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I. DetailsCommodity Prices in Kilchu-gun, Hamgyong-bukto

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NOTE: The following are all consumers' guild prices, except for those specifically marked as market prices. Foreign-made goods are also specified.

<u>Commodities</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Price (Won)</u>
Cotton sheeting, special	Meter	300
Cotton sheeting, average	"	250
Fine cotton sheeting	"	400
Home-made cotton sheeting, special	"	210
Home-made cotton sheeting, average	"	180
Western clothing, stand-up collar, black or brown, wool (winter clothing in fashion this year)	Suit	15,000
Western clothing, home-spun, stand-up collar	"	10,000
Western clothing, cotton, stand-up collar	"	7,000
Western clothing, cotton, stand-up collar (work dress)	"	2,500
Summer clothing, hemp, white (Distribution for teachers and central distribution recipients Grade II, III & IV)	"	7,000 (Market Price)
Student's uniform, summer, for primary school	"	700 - 800
Student's uniform, summer, for junior and senior middle school (this year's distribution)	"	1,300
Student's uniform, winter, for college	"	2,200
Children's clothing, various	" about	1,000
White shirt, special	Each	2,000
White shirt, average	"	1,500
White shirt, poor	"	800
Winter underwear, NK,	Pair	2,500 - 2,700
Winter underwear, Chinese,	Pair	3,400
Underwear, spring & autumn	Each	1,500
T-shirt	"	200
Pants	"	400
Skirt material, silk, average	Meter	2,000
Skirt material, silk, good	"	3,000
Student's sports shoes	Pair	250
Men's rubber shoes, black	"	300
Children's rubber shoes, black	"	50
Adult's sports shoes	"	350
Adult's sneakers	"	280
Women's rubber shoes, black	"	300
Women's rubber shoes, white	"	400
Men's socks, average	"	70
Men's socks, good	"	100 - 120
Men's socks, special	"	180

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Children's socks	pair	30
Women's stockings, cotton, average	"	400
Pencil	Each	2.5 - 5
Pen-holder	"	20
Pen point	"	5
Student's notebook, various	"	5, 6, 8, or 10
Notebooks for office use	"	80 - 100
Fountain pen, Japanese, average	"	500
Fountain pen, Japanese, good	"	1,000
Fountain pen, Chinese, average	"	500
Ink powder	Pack	20
White paper	sheet	6
Ink	Bottle	150
Rice (government purchase price)	Mal	800
Rice (Market price)	"	900 - 1,000
Rice (Distribution price for officials)	"	50
Yellow millet (government purchase)	"	600
Yellow Millet (Market price)	"	700
Yellow millet (Distribution for officials)	"	40
Corn (government purchase)	Kg	45
Sorghum	"	50
Soy bean	"	60
Salt	"	18
Dextrose, powder	"	200
Matches,	Pack	5
Sugar	Kg	400
Cigarettes "Taedongmun"	Pack	20
Cigarettes "Kalmægi"	"	25
Cigarettes "T'ap"	"	35
Cigarettes "P'yŏngyang"	"	80
Cigarettes "Moranbong"	"	60
Liquor (Soju)	Hop (.38l pint)	50
Liquor (Soju), 3-hop bottle, "P'yŏngyang"	Bottle	280
Ginger wine, 3-hop bottle	"	180
Cider, 2-hop bottle	"	30
Beer, 3-hop bottle	"	70
Soy sauce	Toe (.5 gallon)	80
Bean-paste	Kg	10
Dried Alaska pollack	K'oe (20)	100
Ox, large	Head	30,000
Ox, middle	"	20,000
Ox, small	"	15,000
Pig	Kg	100
Pork	"	190
Beef	"	210
Milk goat	Head	40,000
Kid	"	10,000
Cow milk	Hop	5
Chicken	Each	400
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Rabbit	Each	100
Noodle	Bowl	30, 50, 60
Dog soup	"	80
Table d'hote	Table	80
Lunch	Each	80
Sidedish (a la carte), such as Chapch'ae	"	50 - 100
Lodging charge, board and room (for officials with rice ticket for 700 grams)	Night stay	110
Lodging charge, board and room (with no rice ticket)	"	200
Radish	Kg	4 - 5
Cabbage	"	4 - 5
Lodging charge, without board	Night stay	40
Subscription for newspaper	Monthly	80
Monthly magazine, various	Each	40
Ink stand	"	35
Rice bowl	"	30
Spoon, ceramics	"	50
Ash-trey, glass	"	30
Portable cooking furnace	"	80
Penicillin, powder, Chinese, 200,000 unit	Bottle	250
Oil penicillin, Chinese, 500,000 unit	"	500
Streptomycin	"	500
Injector, 2cc	Each	150
Light bulb, 20 Watt	"	60
Light bulb, 60 Watt	"	100
Light bulb, 200 Watt	"	200
Circuit	"	60
Bus fare	Ride	10
Rubber ball, small	Each	20
Charge for entering platform for goodbyeing		10
Admission for movie, in P'yongyang-si		40
Admission for movie, in other cities		30
Admission for movie, in town (Vp)		20
Ball, football	Each	1,500
Ball, volleyball	"	1,300
Ball, basketball	"	1,800
Football shoes	Pair	1,500
Volleyball net	Each	800
Toilet soap	Bar	80
Laundry soap	"	80
Sewing machine, NK	Each	25,000
Bicycle, Japanese	"	50,000
Towel	"	150
Tooth-brush	"	60
Tooth powder	Pack	20
Tooth paste	Tube	60
Briefcase, NK, special	Each	2,500
Student's bag, cloth	"	150 - 200

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